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[Full-text transcription of: Letter from General H. G. Parks, Richmond to Governor Reynolds, Jefferson City, Mo]

Genrl. Parks
Brg Genrl. about
not being paid for
Mormon Services
1842
Thomas Reynolds

Commanderinchief
Missouri Militia
City of Jefferson

Mo

Mr I. S. Wilkinson Esq. }

Richmond

Jan 10th 1842

Dear Sir

I wish to Say to you that the paymas -ter Genl M. Hamer refused to pay me my full pay as Brig Genrl for Service rendered in the Mormon difficulties He paid me all except the rations allowed by law if I understand the law in relation to the pay of the troops engaged in that Service the paymaster is is to be governed by the law of Congress regulating the pay of army of the United States and that law as is contained in Gordius Digest divids the pay of the officers in four classes pay in line, Rations, extra Horses and Servants now Sir the two first classes of Pay is fixed and permanent for it is so laid down in the law that the officers may draw his full number of Rations in Kine as in mony at his option. I confess that the two last classes of pay depends on the condition that the officer had the horses and Servants actually in the Service for the time charged for the law allowed me twelve Rations per day at 20 cents per Ration I drew one Ration in Kine per day leaving a ballance of Eleven per day due me which the law allowed me to commute and draw in mony. the papers on file with the paymaster will Show that there are back Rations coming to me for forty odd days at Eleven Rations per day now Sir I do hope that you will do yourself the Credit and me the Justice to direct the Adgt Genrl to make me an additional allowance

and report the Same to the Paymaster Genrl So that Mr I. S. Wilkinson the boson of this may draw it and bring it-up to me who is hereby authoresed to recespt in full for any amount that may be allowed me

> I am yours Respectfully H. G. Parks Brig Genrl 2d B 3d I. M. M.

Thomas Reynolds } commanderinchief } Mo Mi } City of Jefferson Mo }